

**Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies**  
**Board Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2018 - Teleconference**  
Professional Licensing Boards – Secretary of State  
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA 31217

**Members Present:**

James “Tripp” Mitchell, Chair  
Anthony “Tony” Biello, Vice-Chair  
Timothy “Tim” Williams  
Pam Griggs

**Others Present:**

La Trena Tyler-Jones, Executive Director  
Sandra Mason, Licensing Analyst  
David Stubins, Assistant Attorney General

**Members Absent:**

Vernon Keenan  
Antonio Long

**NOTE: Visitors are excused during Executive Session unless scheduled for a personal appearance.**

**OPEN SESSION:**

Tripp Mitchell, Chair, noted that a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., and declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§50-14-1 et seq.

**Agenda**

The Board voted to approve the February 15, 2018 agenda by unanimous consent.

**Continuing Education Request:**

NAMI Georgia – National Alliance on Mental Illness - requesting that the Board grant continuing education credit for a mental health course designed for security personnel, law enforcement, private investigators, etc. Tony Biello moved, Pam Griggs seconded and the Board voted to approve the course for 8 hours of continuing education credit.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Tim Williams moved, Tony Biello seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 10:08 a.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(h) and 43-38, for the purpose of reviewing applications.

Executive Session concluded at 10:20 a.m., and Tony Biello, acting Chair, declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

**OPEN SESSION:**

Tony Biello moved, Pam Griggs seconded, and the Board approved the establishment of a Work Committee to review and accept decisions as blogged by the work group upon Tripp Mitchell’s expected exit from the call, resulting in loss of a quorum.

Tony Biello moved, Pam Griggs seconded, and the motion carried to accept recommendations as polled during Executive Session as follows:

**Applications:**

**Company**

Company App #	Employee App #	Applicant Name	Decision
2704063	2704075	C & M Defense Group	Approved

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2709181	2711244	1 <sup>st</sup> UPA Inc.	Approved
2709640	2709642	Metro Protective Services	Approved
2711303	2711309	BES Security Solutions LLC	Approved
2711482	2711489	Watchman Security Services LLC	Approved
2713375	2713663	First Coast Security Services Inc	Approved
2713639	2713649	Stepping Stone Staffing LL	Approved
2713900	2713901	Principle Intelligence LLC	Approved
2713914	2713910	Lighthouse Private Investigation Services	Approved
2714314	2714321	G.S.S.	Tabled for meeting 3/21/18
2714347	2714351	Hairston Global Protection Services Inc.	Approved
2715985	2715988	Banneret Security	Approved
2716025	2716022	Talon Group	Approved
2716576	2716578	Kennedy & Kennedy Inc	Approved

**Trainers / Instructors**

Applicant #	Applicant Name	Decision
2700048	George Elijah Davis Jr.	Approved – Security Guards
2706290	Elizabeth Lynn Heard	Approved – Security Guards
2707973	Bobby Lee Owens	Approved – Security Guards
2710409	Leroy Kirk Jr.	Approved
2714800	Carter Lennard Greene	Approved – Security Guards
2716369	Shawn Antoine Wright	Approved
2716370	Dave P Durden	Approved

**Employees**

Applicant #	Applicant Name	Decision
2689958	Latisa Key	Approved
2690142	Machel Messias	Approved

Tabled items are on hold for 30 days only, unless otherwise noted. If additional information is not received within 30 days of notice, the application will be denied, per Board consensus.

The next meeting of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies will be held Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Anthony Biello declared the meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brad Coman, Executive Director

Minutes approved on: August 16, 2018

  
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~~Tripp Mitchell, Chair~~

Tony Biello, Acting Chair

  
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Brad Coman, Executive Director

with express permission by  
Bradley Coman  
Executive Director

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF BIBB

AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specified exemptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meetings in question.

Comes now James Mitchell, the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia State Board of Private Detective and Security Agencies.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and subject to penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On, **February 15, 2018** this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof of the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for closure of this meeting was: O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k).
5. The subjects discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are as follows:  
Applications and other personal information submitted by the applicants; information, favorable or unfavorable, submitted by a reference source concerning an applicant; and deliberations of the Board with respect to an application, an examination, a complaint, an investigation, or a disciplinary proceeding.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Trupp Mitchell

(PRESIDING OFFICER)

with express permission by  
Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

Day of February 20 18

Deborah A. Horton

(Notary Public)

